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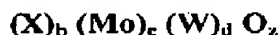
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing lubricating oil basestocks which comprises:

- (a) contacting a hydrocarbon feedstock ~~feedstock~~ derived from at least one of thermal treatment, catalytic treatment, extraction, dewaxing or fractionation of a petroleum crude or fraction thereof, shale oil, tar sands or synthetic crude with a sulfided bulk metal catalyst under hydrocracking conditions, said catalyst comprising non-noble Group VIII metal molybdate in which at least a portion but less than all of molybdenum is replaced by tungsten, wherein the bulk metal catalyst prior to sulfidation is represented by the formula:



wherein X is non-noble Group VIII metal, the molar ratio of b: (c+d) is 0.5/1 to 3/1, the molar ratio of c:d is >0.01/1, and $z = [2b + 6(c + d)]/2$; and

- (b) fractionating hydrocracked feedstock to produce a distillate lubricating oil fraction.

2. (Currently Amended) A process for producing lubricating oil basestocks which comprises: